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This Week

First Broadway theatre presentation of the season is Ballets:USA presented at Alvin, Sept 4 by
Leland Hayward, direct from European triumphs at Brussels World's
Fair and the Festival of Two Worlds at Spoleto, Italy. Jerome Robbins' 4 ballets will be presented for a limited run of 3 1/2 weeks in NYC only. Robbins, currently represented on Broadway with dances in West Side Story,

Plays .

Who Was That Lady closed ... At The Grand will close in San Francisco Sept 13 for a major rewrite and will postpone NY debut at least until . Jan. . Epitaph for George Dillon now due to open Nov 4 at Golden due to extra week at Atlantic City, NJ... A Perfect Evening musical version of Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice" due Feb 19... Kataki new title of twin bill by Simon Wincelberg due in Jan with Sessue Hayakawa, presented by Jay Garon-Eleanore Saidenberg ... Marjorie Steele-Ben Edwards to present Sailing to Byzantium by Robert Thom, to star Gladys Cooper ... Laurette to be directed by Robert Mulligan, produced by Alan Pakula... The Poker Game by George Panetta to be presented by Norman Forman, staged by Ruth Rawson . . . Ingrid Bergman and Tyrone Power reported interested in starring in Anna Karenina.

Players

Peggy Wood has replaced Dorothy Gish, Girls in 509, latter felt she not right for part ... Edward Mulhare, My Fair Lady, returned from one week vacation, Bramwell Fletcher subbed ... Bernice Massi hired as second standby for Ann Bancroft, Two for See Saw, after Lee Grant fractured rib ... Kath-Leen Murray signed for Swim in Sea ... Martin Wolfson replaced Louis Sorin, Goldilocks... Don Wilson to make Broadway debut in Make A Million... Edmon Ryan joins Marriage -Go Round. . . Lee Bowman and Nancy Wickwire join Patate ... Robert Strauss to be featured in Whoop- Up.

Calendar

Anatol- Little Theatre-4 St Marks Pl - 9/3. Karl Mann presents revival of Schnitzler's satire directed by Alex Horn ... Young Provincials-Cricket-162 Second Av 9/8. Unicorns presents new play written and directed by Ben Levinson... Chaparral-Sheridan Sq-99 Seventh Av S-9/9. Gene Wolsk-Robert Livingston present new play written and directed by Valgene Massey with Rip Torne, Ruth White... The Egg and I- Jan Hus 334 E 74- 9/10. William Gyimes presents Hal Perkins musical adaption of Betty McDonald book, with score by Frank Brents-Wilfred Sales, Presented this spring at Harlem YMCA.

Playhouses

Hayes Theatre to be refurbished in honor of namesake Helen Hayes appearance in Touch of A Poet due Oct 2.

Critics

Glenna Syse named to replace Herman Kogan, Chicago Sun-Times. Kogan joined Encyclopedia Britannica as director of company relations.

Award Dept.

Eaves Costumes Co has established two awards to be presented annually in cooperation with American Educational Theatre Assn to outstanding little theatre and high school theatre groups and/or individuals who "distinguish themselves and the nonprofessional theatre.

Theatre Film Notes

Summer of the 17th Doll film to be made in Australia in Nov by Hecht-Hill-Lancaster and to star Anne Baxter, Ernest Borgnine and John Mills,

Theatre Book Notes

Mary Astor autobiography due in Jan by Doubleday to be entitled "My Story."

Off Broadway

The Egg and I debut at Jan Hus postponed one week to Sept 10 due to union difficulties with Actors Equity ... Paul Curtis' American Mime Theatre to present 3 week engagement as first tenant of new 299 Orpheum Theatre, 2nd Avenue and 8th St, starting Sept 22.

Mabel Mercer to be presented in series of Mon eve one woman shows at Cherry Lane starting Oct 6 ... Stuart Vaughan to direct all 5 of Phoenix productions, starting with Family Reunion due Oct 20... Comic Strip may move to Hotel New Yorker ballroom when it is ousted from Barbizon Plaza ballroom by Salad Days.

Staats Cotsworth, Alvin Epstein,
Lelia Barry joined The Golden Six...
Jacqueline Brookes to be lead in banov
Oct 7 at Renata... Marcel Hillaire in
Lulu... Vivian Joyce replaced Gerianne Rapael, The Boy Friend.

Theatre Record Notes

Goldilocks original cast album to be recorded by Columbia...Flower Drum Song original cast album to be recorded by RCA Victor.

Legal Dept.

League of NY Theatres and NY stage-hands have reached agree ment on new contract. Producers plan to publish at its expense a handbook detailing the union's production rules.

Vaudeville

Roxy Theatre leased by syndicate headed by Robert Rothafel and will return to stage show-film programs. House will also return to its original seating capacity of 5717.

Brussels Fair

Actors Equity gave donation to enable Waiting for Godot production of San Francisco's Actors Workshop to make trip for one week stand of play at Brussels Fair Sept 16.

DIGESTS OF CURRENT NYC THEATRE REVIEWS

Look Homeward Angel with major cast replacements has lost the size and fanatical pressure that it had when it was new, comments Atkinson, Times, Production is no exception to the general rule: replacements seldom retain the glory of the original cast. Current leads are all able players and most recreate the parts as closely as possible to the original images. Lenka Peterson in the role of the romantic young lady from Richmond, originally portrayed by Frances Hyland, was rated best of new cast members. The drama and out of a monumental novel is a work of tumultous feeling, the emotional conflicts are catastrophic, everything is bigger than life. These are the qualities reviewer fears have escaped from this more temperate performance.

Two for the See Saw with Dana Andrews replacing Henry Fonda and with Anne Bancroft still in her original role is still an enjoyable theatre experience, okays Watts, Post. Firstnighters and critics who turned handsprings in honor of Bancroft's performance were right in applauding a performance of remarkable beauty, depth, warmth, humor, earthy and yet strangely lyric. Andrews is less ingratiating than Fonda by seeming to make the character of sterner stuff. He thus loses some of the disarming quality of his predecessor's portrayal.

Guests of the Nation at Theatre Marquee consists of interesting scenes interrupted by a narrator before they can acquire dramatic momentum, pans Atkinson, Times. The result remains on the periphery of theatreno longer a short story, not quite a drama yet. Gelb, Times, had recommended playlet for longer run on basis of its one matinee stand earlier in ANTA Matinee Series presented at Theatre De Lys.

ELIOT PLAY AT EDINBURGH

The Elder Statesman by T.S. Eliot presented at Edinburgh Festival's Lyceum Theatre drew diverse notices from English reviewers covering it for NY papers. Darlington, Times, rated it as simpler than his previous Edinburgh plays- The Cocktail Party and The Confidential Clerk-but not as good an acting play. C ntral character is too monotonous to give an actor any great opportunity. Director E. Martin Browne was urged to increase the pace of his performance. Tynan, Herald Tribune, was never bored but also was never moved by play which is very much like other Eliot plays. He approved lead portrayals of Paul Rogers and Anna Massey, Reuters reviewer filing for NY News enjoyed play by 70 year old post-playwright which revealed that author has a new-found interest in love since marrying his 31 year old secretary last year.

Twelfth Night product ion of Old Vic at Edinburgh Festival prior to US tour applauded by Darlington, Times. Michael Benthall's presentation has about it an enchanting lightness of spirit with all the chief laughter-making characters excellently played. Cast features John Neville and Barbara Jefford.

BELGIUM PAGEANT

Presentation of 17th century wedding of painter Peter Paul Rubens and his 16 year old bride re-enacted at the Rubens House on Rubenstraat, Antwerp, in which 75 audience members join the scene as wedding guests thoroughly enchanted Taubman, Times. Performers of Flemish National Theatre and Opera directed by Ben Royaard make the event credible. The music is what the 17th century played, sang and heard. The tiny audience following the wedding proceedings through the lovely house and finally joining as wedding guests in the toasts in wine makes the 45 minute presentation delightful.

THEATRE BOOK

COMMENTS



"Lies Like Truth" by Harold Clurman (Macmillan \$6) rated as an excellent successor to his earlier book about the Group Theatre by Rodo, Variety. Author analyzes the work of most of the established playwrights as well as entries by later arrivals, Samuel Beckett and John Osborne.



THEATRE RECORD

COMMENTS

Time Remembered score by Vernon Duke recorded by Pete Rugulo Orch. (Mercury) with the composer at the piano recommended by Variety mugg. Assortment of waltzes, tangos, polkas and ballads composed and presented in a delightfulmock vein.

SON

ET



LUMIERE

40 French chateaux and 6 British historical buildings are presenting "Son et Lumiere" performances this summer, "Stage" survey details. This new night-time entertainment born six summers ago at Chateau de Chambord in the Loire Valley usually consists of a 45 minute presentation of music, light, sound effects and a recorded script presented by unseen actors. Dramatised significant events which might have taken place at the site are presented in the outdoor spectacles.

At Versailles this summer the text of the Son et Lumiere entitled "A Toutes Les Glories de La France" was written by Jean Cocteau and Andre Maurois, the music by Jacques Ibert and the lighting by Maurice Lehmann. Narration was by Charles Boyer and leading members of Comedie Francaise. Two songs were recorded by Jeanine Micheau of the Paris Opera and Pierre-Michael Leconte conducted the Paris Opera Orchestra.

At Greenwich's Royal Naval College the Son Et Lumiere performance is narrated by Charles Laughton and Beatrix Lehmann. Hugh Ross Williamson provided the script. At Ragley Hall, Warwickshire Michael Redgrave is the narrator. At Gloucester Cathedral Valantine Dyall is the narrator.

Paul Robert Houdin is the founder of the first Son Et Lumiere production 6 years ago at Chateau de Chambord, and he also introduced the new medium to England last year at Greenwich. M. Houdin has also been invited by many US cities to set up Son Et Lumiere productions.

Son Et Lumiere productions are not just another name for flootlighting of buildings, Hugh Ross Williamson told "Stage." It calls for creative dramatic writing and the preperation of a planned script, consisting of words, music and light, deftly and intricately woven together.





GREEN

ROOM

DEPARTMENT

- NEW SEASON... Forthcoming theatre season, like every other, looks good on paper, comments Chapman, News. Critic is glad to see that a number of old pros--actors and play-wrights --are back. If even half the number of comedies listed click, there will be nothing but laughter on the Rialto... Prolific and promising is how season looks to McClain, Journal American. It also looks like the most ambitious Off Broadway term to date... Upturn in current Broadway business plus cooler weather and vacations ending, may mean that the incoming shows will have to work hard to drive the standbys out of town, predicts Lapole, Journal American.
- COLUMN TIPS...Paul Muni insisting on some major cast replacements before he would open on Broadway in At The Grand, hears Kilgallen, Journal American...All Negro Guys and Dolls due with Pearl Bailey next season, notes Walker, News...Zza Zza Gabor may follow her sister, Eva at 4th St Playhouse in a Pirandello revival, reports Lyons, Post.
- CULTURAL PROGRAM... With Congressional passage of bills to create a National Cultural Center in Washington. D.C. Times editorial feels time is ripe for vigorous Government concern with a cultural program embracing the arts as well as education and the sciences.
- DRAMA MAIL BOX...Pike Theatre Fund, 22 E 89, NYC, files request in Times for aid in raising \$6400 owed in court costs for plucky 52 seat Dublin theatre whose manager was fined for presenting The Rose Tattoo...The term "Equity production" when applied to an Off Broadway cast which is in truth only 1/3 Equity members is misleading, points out a "C.D." subscriber.
- NEW PLAYWRIGHTS... Considering authors of worthwhile plays since the war, Watts, Post, finds a fairly impressive amount of creative activity. This past season brought Ketti Frings, William Gibson, Dore Schary. Others of recent seasons include--Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee, George Axelrod, Michael Gazzo, Norman Krasna, N. Richard Nash, Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett, Ira Lewis, James Lee, Carson McCullers. Also Louis Peterson, Robert Alan Aurthur, Leslie Stevens, Arthur Laurents and Leo Rosten (Mister Johnson.)
- CRITICAL THOUGHTS...Some evil minded fellow may insist that the new horror film "The Fly" is about a drama critic, fears Watts, Post...Trend of theatre people to TV is now reversed with many actors, directors and producers rushing back to Broadway in search of continuity and a cure for their ulcers, surmises Coleman, Mirror.
- SECOND GUESSES.... An actress in Dark At the Top of the

 Stairs has started overplaying her role since the opening and is spoiling it, comments Chapman, News, without naming the offender... As for the new leads in My

 Fair Lady he likes Sally Ann Howes better than Julie

 Andrews, but does not think either Edward Mulhare or

 Ronald Radd near Rex Harrison and Stanley Holloway.
- INTERVIEW HI-LITES... Without at least 10 weeks advance sales a show is at the mercy of the critics, producer David Merrick told Wallace, Post. A mailing list of 65,000, advance showings to theatre party agents and planting titles of plays months in advance of opening are some of methods used to create advance sales by producer whose next new play is World of Suzie Wong. Without advance sales a show may still might be saved if Atkinson, Times, votes for it, even if the other critics are against it.



The theatre shortage, like nearly everything else in the fascinating and fantastic industry called show business, is nearer a myth than a reality. While every uptown playhouse has a single booking for a specific show which may or may not make it to NY come Oct, Nov, Dec there are at the moment enough theatres to produce all the shows that are ready. During the summer, when out-of-town theatre fans were literally crying for a new play or musical to see, more than 1/2 of the houses were dark. During the month of Sept, suppossedly the opening of the new season, only two plays will make a try at winning audiences. Certainly the twenty or more plays planned for Oct will not all be hits. Some will probably only last a few days, mostly because of the second rate material presented, but partly because of the stiff competition of so many new presentations in a short time. If some of these productions scheduled for Oct had been ready for Sept, they may have been built into mild successes, strong enough to stay the winter. Sept is the start of the theatre season and Off Broadway with ten or more productions booked for the first month will probably steal a goodly portion of a theatre audience waiting to go to Broadway shows.

Actors Equity is just trying to confuse people. In the same week they aided the Waiting for Godot company to complete its trip to the Brussels Fair by giving enough money to bring the cast salaries up to Equity minimums, and they also caused the postponment for one week of a scheduled Off Broadway production for not having enough Equity members in its cast.

"Son et Lumiere" presentations in France and England this summer have provided a new theatrical experience for thousands of US visitors. From the reports evidenced they seem to be sort of Paul Green symphonic dramas without actors. The fact that recorded voices alone, plus music, light and effects can be so dramatic demonstrates the power of theatre. Historical pageants are popular throughout this country and it is an interesting question to discover if American audiences will be satisfied with such pageants sans actors.

Publication of handbook by League of NY Theatres detailing the rules of stagehands for producers and would be producers is a useful service that should not be limited by the producers organization to union problems. It would be of great aid to all would-be producers if the veterans would set down in type how to raise money from investors, how to cast plays, how to run a box office, how to handle customers after a show has been running several months, etc.

For the record let it be noted that even the Lunts cannot bring a hit back to life at the box-office after a six week layoff. The first week of the return of The Visit showed only a 50% capacity, while the show had been playing to a near sellout prior to the illness of Alfred Lunt.

Theatre fans can be thankful for small favours. This is the first season in several that the box office prices have not raised.

This weekly chart of CRITICAL DIGEST -presents up-to-date data on current business and critical reaction to current Broadway and Off Broadway shows.

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"C"-Critical- figures refer to percentage of PRO reviews filed by NYC daily reviewers.

PRO means show was recommended for entertaining and/or stimulating evening, not if the critic predicted if show would be a commercial hit or not.

"B"-Business- figures refer to percentage of gross ticket sales last week. % B Figures refer to percentage of past week's attendance and indicates current aviolability of tickets. CAP figures refer to gross capacity of house in thousands of dollars. Figures that follow are gross estimates by Yariety for past week and previous weeks, all figures in thousands of dollars. Thus 100% B- Cap \$68-\$68 \$64 \$63, etc means that the past week the show wa a sell-out, the previous week the gross was \$64,000, etc.

BELLS ARE RINGING	230 W 44	80% C- Show 2 Con-WTS, Times-100%Judy
Shubert \$7, 50	CI 6-5990	85% B- Cap \$58\$50 \$48-Re-opened 8/11
DARK TOP STAIRS	238 W 45	90% C- 1 Con-WTS-3 raves lnge's best play
Music Box \$6.90	CI 6-4636	65% B- Cap \$33\$21 \$21 \$20 \$19 \$20 \$16
JAMAICA	256 W 45	40% C-Show 3 Pro-Times, J. Am, Post
Imperial \$8.35	CO 5-2412	70% B- Cap \$63\$38 \$40- Re-opened 8/11
LOOK BACK ANGER	250 W 45	80% C- 2 Con- WTS, Mir
Golden \$5.75	CI 6-6745	50% B- Cap \$25\$14 \$14 \$14 Closs 9/20
LOCK HOMEWARD	243 W 47	100% C- New leads-2 pro-1 con(Times)
Barrymore \$6.90	CI 6-0390	65% B- Cap \$40\$22 \$22 \$22 \$21 \$24 \$23
MUSIC MAN	245 W45	100% C- 6 pro raves show- H. Trib milder
Majestic \$8.05	CI 6-0730	100% B- Cap \$68\$69 \$69 \$69 \$69 \$69
MY FAIR LADY	1655 Bway	100% C -7 raves play - 4 okay new leads
Hellinger \$8.05	PL 7-7064	100% B- Cap \$68\$69 \$69 \$69 \$69 \$69
ROMANOFF-JULIET	236 W 45	30% C- 2 Pro Show- Lascoe new lead
Plymouth \$5,25	C1 6-9156	50% B- Cap\$36\$17 \$17 \$18 \$18 Closes 9/13
SAY DARLING	245 W 52	90% C- I Con- Times- 5 raves for show
ANTA \$7.50	C1 6-6270	65% B- Cap \$50\$31 \$28 \$35 \$34 \$38 \$44
SUNRISE CAMPOBELLO	138 W 48	100% C- 7 raves for R. Bellamy & play
Cort \$6.90	CI 5-5289	100% B- Cap \$37\$37 \$36 \$37 \$36 \$36 \$36

TWO SEE SAW	222 W 45	90% C-1 Con-WTS-5 raves acript, cast
Booth \$6.90	C1 6-5969	100% B- Cap \$31\$30 \$30 \$29 \$29 \$30 #28
WISTT	217 W 45	80% C- 2 Con- Mirror, J. Am.
Morosco \$6.90	C1 6-6230	50% B- Cap \$35\$17 Re-opened 8/20
WEST SIDE STOR Y	1634 Bway	100% C- 7 pros for musical, dances, etc
W. Garden \$7.50	CI 5-4878	75% B- Cap \$63\$46 \$43 \$44 \$41 \$44 \$40

" TV THEATRE PROGRAMS "

Sept 19-	NBC- Roberta on Bob Hope Show with Howard Keel
Sept 22.	CBS- Harvey on Du Pont Show of Month with Art Carney
Oct 9-	CBS- Time of Your Life on Playhouse 90 with Jackie Gleason
Oct 13-	NBC - Johnny Belinds on Hall of Fame with Julie Harris
Oct 16	CBS Little Women musical by Richard Adler-Ronald Alexander
Oct	CBS- Face of a Hero on Playhouse 90- prior to stage
Nov 20	NBC Kiss Me Kate on Hall of Fame with Alfred Drake
Nov 30	CBS Wonderful Town with Rosalind Russell after 3 week tour
Dec 9	CRE City of Mani-munical by Dichard Adless - Papald Alexanders

Mar 23-	NBC	Green Pastures on Hall of Fame with William Warfield
Mar	NBC	Mary Martin 2 one woman shows
Apr 28	NBC	Ah Wilderness on Hall of Fame
159	CBS	Hamlet on Dupont Show of Month with Old Vic Company

" OFF	BRO	ADW	AY
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BALD SOPRANO	181 Sullivan	2 Pro-H. Tribune, News
Sullivan \$3.50	OR 4-3838	4 Con- Times, Post, J. Am, WTS
BLOOD WEDDING	100-7th Av S.	3 Pro- Times, Post, J. Am.
Actors Play. \$3.45	OR 5-1036	1 Con- WTS
BOY FRIEND	31 Comm.	5 Pro- Times, H. Trib, J. Am.
Cherry Lane \$4,60	CH 2-4468	WTS, Post
CHILDREN DAR KNESS	5 Sher, Sq.	6 Pro-
Circle \$4.50	OR 5-9437	1 Con- News
COMIC STRIP	100 C. Park S.	6 Pro- Times, Trib, Mir
Bar. Plaza \$3.90	C17-1143	WTS, J. Am, Post
CRUCIBLE	32 & Bway	7 Pro- Unanimous raves
Martingue \$4,15	PE 6-3056	revival Miller drama
GUESTS OF NATION	110 E 59	6 Pro-Gelb, Times, Trib, Mir, J. AmWTS,
T. Marquee \$4.60	PL 3-2575	i Con-Atkinson, Times ///Post
PLAYBOY W. WORLD	120 Mad.	7 Pro- Unanimous approval
Tara \$3.95	MU 6-4950	revival Synge comedy
3 PENNY OPERA	121 Chris.	3 Pro- Times, Trib, Post
De Lys \$4.85	WA 4-8782	
ULYSSES NIGHTTOWN	2nd & Hous.	4 Pro-Times, Trib, J. Am, Post
Rooftop \$4.60	AL 4-5475	3 Con- News, Mir, WTS
WAITING FOR GODOT	1st & 64	3 Pro- Post, WTS, J. Am.
York \$3,45	TR 9-4130	2 Con- Times, Trib

" LONDON CALENDAR "

Sept 2- A Boy Growing Up- Globe Sept 10- Auntie Mame- Adelphi Sept 16- Garden District-Arts Sept 17- Mary Stuart- Old Vic Oct -- Live Like Pigs- Royal Court Oct 8- Julius Caesar- Old Vic

" CD PROS & CONS "

Look Homeward Angel, Music Man, My Fair Lady, Romanoff & Juliet S'mrise Campobello, Two See Saw, Visit, Who Was Lady PROS:

> Bald Soprano, Blood Wedding, Boy Friend, Comic Strip, Children of Darkness, Guests of Nation, Playboy Western World, Three Penny Opera

Ulysses in Nighttown, Waiting for Godot CONS:

" THEATRE CALENDAR "

Anatol- Little 9/3 Young Provincials-Cricket 9/8 Chaparral-Sheridan Sq- 9/9 Egg and I- Jan Hus 9/10

Howie- 46th St 9/17 Streetcar Named Desire-Carn Play 9/17 Jacknife- Royal 9/22 Paul Curtis Mime-Orpheum 9/22 Shielf for Medusa-Sullivan St 9/23 Heloise-Gate 9/24 Lulu- 4th St 9/29 Swim in Sea- Lyecum 9/30

Handful of Fire- Beck 10/1 Touch of Poet-Hayes 10/2 Time of Cuckoo- 10/6 Ivanov- Renata 10/7 Drink To Me Only-54th St 10/8 Goldilocks- Lunt 10/9 Capt. Brassbound Conversion -St Paul 10/10 Golden Six- York 10/13 Golden Six- York 10/13
World Suise Wong- Broadhurst 10/14
Theatre National Paris-Broadway 10/14
Girls in 509- Belasco 10/15
Make A Million- Playhouse 10/16
Many Loves- Living Theatre 10/19
Family Reunion- Phoenix 10/20
Pleasure of His Company-Longacre 10/22
Once More With Feeling-National 10/22
Loving Couples 10/22 Loving Couple- 10/22 Night Circus- 10/23 Patate-Miller 10/28 Marriage Go Round-Plymouth 10/29 Man in Dog Suit- Coronet 10/30

adow of Gunman-Bijou 10/? Listen to Quiet-Blackfriars 10/? Ole- Greenwich Mews 10/

La Plume De Ma Tante-Royale 11/3 La Plume De Ma Tante-Royale 11/3 Crasy October 11/3 Epitaph George Dillon-Golden 11/4 Tail Story- 11/5 Comes A Day- Ambassador 11/6 Salad Daya- Barbixon 11/11 Man Who Never Died-Jan Hus 11/19 Gazebo- 11/26 Flower Drum Song-St James 11/29

Disenchanted- 12/3 Old Wind Warm -Morsoco 12/4
Old Vic- Broadway 12/9
J. B. - ANTA 12/11
Edwin Booth- 12/11
Whoop Up-Shubert 12/18
Arthur Miller Play-12/18

Requiem for Nun- 1/2 n- 1/12 Dearlin' Man- 1/29
Things to Remember-Broadway 1/?

Perfect Evening- Alvin 2/19



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